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displaying the input data on the display unit in response to received authorization if the input data requires authorization for use; and
forbidding storage of the input data if the input data requires authorization for use to prevent unauthorized use of the input data in the created compound data.

REMARKSSTATUS OF CLAIMS

In the previous Office Action mailed July 17, 2001, elected claims 1-18, 20, and 22-23 were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, for not being enabled, and claims 1-18, 20, and 22-23 were rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Hasebe (US Patent No. 5,392,351) in view of Hasebe (US Patent No. 5,761,651), and further in view of Iwayama (US Patent No. 5,832,083). The foregoing rejections have been/are traversed in view of this Second Supplemental Amendment as well as the first Supplemental Amendment of August 14, 2002 and the Amendment of November 19, 2001.

Elected claims 1-18, 20 and 22-23 are pending for consideration.

Claim 23 is amended to improve its recitation taking into consideration the Examiner's comments.

Thus, elected claims 1-18, 20, and 22-23 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested.

No new matter has been added in this Amendment.

Specification support for the claims was discussed in the August 14, 2002 and the November 19, 2001 amendments. In particular, support for the claims can be found, for example, on page 2, lines 15-20; page 5, line 20 to page 6, line 12; and page 13, line 24 to page 14, line 13; FIGS. 2, 4, and 5; and the general definition of "compound document."

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks presented above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and withdrawal of the rejection of elected claims 1-18, 20, 22-23 and allowance of elected claims 1-18, 20, 22-23 is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."